

FRENCH HARRY
THE GERMAN

Made Successful Raids in
Champagne and Ar-
gonne Regions

FULL OPERATIONS
IN OTHER SECTORS

Verdun Region the Center
of Violent Artillery
Bombardment

Paris, Sept. 10.—Successful raids were made by the French last night on German positions in the Champagne and Argonne regions, the war office announced today. On both banks of the river Meuse there was a violent artillery bombardment. The French success in the center of the Fosse and Carrières woods was completed and some few prisoners were taken.

TEMPORARY GERMAN GAIN

Made on the Right Bank of the Meuse
River.

Paris, Sept. 10.—Strong German forces attacked the French positions on the right bank of the Meuse over an extent of nearly two miles and succeeded in gaining a foothold temporarily in one section of the line, according to the statement issued by the war office last night. French counter-attacks eventually regained all the positions. The Germans also made an attempt against the new French positions north of the Caume wood, but without success.

The text reads:
"This morning after intense artillery preparation a German attack in force was made against our positions on the right bank of the Meuse along a front of about three kilometers on both sides of hill 344. Under our violent fire the enemy attack was broken and was not able to reach our lines in greater part of the front. Enemy detachments which had succeeded in gaining a foothold east and west of hill 344 were driven back by the vigorous counter-attack of our troops, who completely re-established their lines, taking about 50 prisoners."

"In the course of the afternoon the Germans renewed their attempt against our new positions north of Bois Le Chaume four times. Our fire drove them back to the trenches which they had left. Prisoners remained in our hands. German columns north of Waville wood, taken under the fire of our artillery, suffered heavy losses.
"Eastern theatre—Rifle firing and intermittent cannonading have been in progress along nearly the whole front. A surprise attack enabled us to occupy the heights to the west and northwest of Platsa."

THRONG OF VISITORS

Was at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., on
Sunday.

Ayer, Mass., Sept. 10.—Yesterday was visitors' day at Camp Devens, the national army cantonment here, and it was estimated that more than 60,000 people motored or strolled about the camp ground in the sunlight of a perfect September day.

Many of the 2,000 members of the national army quartered here turned traffic policemen, keeping the thousands of automobiles moving in an apparently endless procession over the construction roads. Number plates on the cars indicated that they came from all the New England states and from New York. No accident marred the day.

Accompanied by their soldier relations the visitors were allowed to visit the camp commissary and to look into the barracks. The visitors were not permitted, however, to enter the soldiers' rooms.

The last few men to make up the first five per cent. quota of the 70th division, national army, arrived yesterday. Among them was Mayor Frederick Beckwith of Dover, N. H., and six other drafted men from that city. Mayor Beckwith was included in the first call squad at his own request. Members of the Dover city government in automobiles accompanied the recruits as far as Nashua, where they gave him a rousing send-off.

DRAFTED MEN MUST SERVE.

Telephone Linemen Are Needed in That
Branch of Service.

New York, Sept. 10.—By a ruling of the provost marshal general many expert telephone linemen who were drafted for the national army and joined the telephone corps of the United States coast guard, will not be permitted to finish their enlistments, it was announced last night.

Many requests for the release of men selected under the draft, to enable them to enter the navy, marine corps, or some other desired branch of the military service, have been received at the office of the provost marshal general, it was stated but there is no authority for granting such requests.

Telephone linemen are being recruited at the New York office of the coast guard, it was announced the pay being \$85 a month, including quarters and subsistence. Men posted for the draft are not desired for enlistment, but those registered awaiting the call are eligible.

PRISON RIOTS.

Convict Shot at Three Guards Stabbed
at Joliet.

Joliet, Ill., Sept. 10.—A riot during the state prison here today during which one convict was shot and three guards were stabbed.

NORTH MONTPELIER.

Two of our boys, Fred W. Moorcroft and John Walker, left last Thursday for Fort Strong, Boston harbor, having enlisted in the quartermaster's department several months ago. They have been made sergeant chauffeurs. Letters have been received, stating that they are sleeping in tents and are well and happy. Here's wishing them luck and a safe and soon return.

TO PUBLISH HER
TERMS OF PEACE

Germany Will Be Able to Soon, Accord-
ing to Statement Ascribed to
Chancellor Michaelis.

London, Sept. 10.—Germany will shortly be able to publish her peace terms, according to Dr. Georg Michaelis, the German chancellor.
Dr. Michaelis, in an interview, said he had so informed the Reichstag main committee, an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen yesterday stated.
The main committee, Dr. Michaelis said in the interview, had "tried to make final arrangements regarding peace conditions and the question of Alsace-Lorraine, but no decision has yet been taken. The question, however, was eagerly discussed and Germany will soon be able to publish her peace terms."

BARON LOWEN DENIES IT.

That Despatches in Cipher Had Been
Sent to Berlin.

Buenos Aires, Sept. 10.—The Swedish minister to Argentina, Baron Lowen, yesterday denied that despatches in cipher had been sent to Berlin by the German charge through the Swedish legation at Buenos Aires. He declared:
"I have not sent, nor caused to be sent by the legation under my charge any telegram from the German legation. The news is a great and disagreeable surprise. I have cabled to my government to clear up matters."
"In the United States they are very excitable."

The official announcement issued by the state department at Washington that communications from Count Luxburg, German charge at Buenos Aires, had been sent to the Berlin foreign office through the Swedish legation here in cipher caused a sensation and was the principal topic of discussion throughout the city. That the situation is considered serious was evidenced by the fact that the populace, usually gay on Sunday, were remarkably quiet and sober-faced. Dancing girls, waving Argentine flags and bedecked with American and British flags, were greeted with silence at the society matinee, after being wildly applauded all week.

POPE'S PEACE EFFORT
CLEARS SITUATION

According to Opinion of Cardinal Gas-
parri, Even Though It Does Not
Bring About Peace.

Rome, Sept. 10.—Cardinal Gasparri, the papal secretary of state, has returned to Rome from a fortnight's vacation and immediately set to work, together with Pope Benedict, on the accumulation of documents received during his absence. Regarding the papal peace initiative, to those who approached him, Cardinal Gasparri said that whatever happens the proposition made by Pope Benedict in favor of peace will have the effect of greatly clearing the situation.

THINK VOTE FAVORABLE.

Boston & Maine Mechanics May Not Go
on Strike.

Boston, Sept. 10.—Scattering returns from the vote taken yesterday by three thousand mechanics of the Boston and Maine railroad on the proposition of ending their strike on the terms agreed to by their representatives at a conference with railroad officials and the Massachusetts committee on public safety late last night, indicated that the plan was received favorably.

Robert Fechner, chairman of the strikers' committee, said that all the returns would not reach headquarters until this morning and that they could not be tabulated and counted until noon. If the strikers accepted the proposition, the men would go back to work at once, he said.

The conference Saturday night was arranged by Henry B. Endicott, executive manager of the public safety committee. Both sides in the controversy agreed that wages of the men be raised five per cent. The workers went on strike a week ago for eight cents an hour. Under the agreement the matter of the remaining three cents will be submitted to Mr. Endicott as arbitrator.

Meetings of the strikers were held yesterday in this city, Lowell, Springfield, Concord and Keene, N. H., and Lyndonville, Vt., where the principal round-houses and shops of the system are located.

CORN BREAD GETS
BIG RECOMMEND

Herbert Hoover Says There Is Twice as
Much Nutrient in a Dollar's Worth
as in Dollar's Worth of
Wheat Bread.

Washington, D. C., Sept. 10.—Corn meal even at the present high prices is the cheapest of the nutritious foods, according to Herbert Hoover, who, in a statement today, urged the more general use of meal for making bread. There is twice as much nutrient in a dollar's worth of wheat bread as in a dollar's worth of wheat bread at the present prices, said Hoover, and corn must play a very important part in the conservation of wheat products.

AUTOMOBILE STRUCK.

Five People Killed and One Fatally In-
jured.

Rochester, N. Y., Sept. 10.—Five persons were killed and one fatally injured yesterday when an automobile was struck by a fast train on the Lehigh Valley railroad at Haslet crossing, one mile west of the village of Rush.

The dead are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Geisler and their children, Edwin, 13, Theresa, 18, and Mrs. George Heidt, 26. Joseph Geisler, jr., 16, is in the hospital with a fractured skull.

The accident occurred early in the evening at a crossing where there is a fairly clear view on both sides. The automobile apparently was struck while in the center of the track, two of the bodies being found on the pilot of the engine when the train was brought to a standstill.

STATE OF WAR
IN PETROGRAD

Has Been Declared by Pre-
mier Kerensky to
Exist

KORNILOFF DEPRIVED
OF HIS COMMAND

In Consequence of His De-
mand for Supreme
Power

Petrograd, Sept. 10.—Premier Kerensky has declared that a state of war exists in the town and district of Petrograd.

Petrograd, Sept. 10.—Premier Kerensky has ordered General Korniloff, commander-in-chief of the Russian armies, to resign in consequence of Korniloff's demand for supreme power. General Klembovsky has been appointed commander-in-chief.

Petrograd, Sept. 10.—Authoritative statement issued here dealing with the loss of Riga say that although competent military authorities do not consider Petrograd endangered, yet the approach of the war zone to the capital necessitates decisive measures for the government of the city. Therefore, a new administration will be formed.

M. Nikitine, minister of posts and telegraphs, who has been charged by the government with the task of partially evacuating the capital, in a statement explains that the partial evacuation is due to the problem of the food supply rather than to any military menace. The only results of the German advance, he says, is further to complicate the food question. He advises that section of the population not engaged in business to leave the city in batches, and promises every facility for their departure.

It is said that a majority of the ministers are against removing the government into the interior, first, because they do not consider the capital in danger, and second, because this might cause an unreasonable panic. In any case, it is said the government will take no steps for six weeks.

BOTH SIDES FEEL
CONFIDENT IN MAINE

Woman's Suffrage Amendment Is Being
Voted On, as Well as Amendment
to Permit Governor to Re-
move Sheriffs.

Portland, Me., Sept. 10.—The voters of Maine went to the polls at a special election today to cast their ballots on the question of ratifying a constitutional amendment for woman suffrage, submitted to the people by the last legislature. The Maine Equal Suffrage league and conducted an active campaign for the amendment. The opposing forces have been led by the Maine Association Opposed to Suffrage. Both sides were confident of victory.

A light vote was expected because of the lack of a political contest and because of the fact that the farmers were busy harvesting their crops. There was considerable interest, however, in the amendment empowering the governor to remove sheriffs for failure to enforce the prohibition laws which also was being voted upon.

WEDDED IN GARDEN.

Novel Setting for Nuptials at Middlebury
Saturday.

Middlebury, Sept. 10.—At 4 o'clock Saturday afternoon at Stonerock Lodge, Margaret Appleton Means, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David McGregor Means of Middlebury and New York City, was married to Charles Thomas Payne of New York City and Litchfield, Conn. The ceremony, which took place in the garden, was performed by the bride's father, Rev. Langdon C. Stewart, LL. D., and President John M. Thomas of Middlebury college. The bride wore her mother's wedding gown, with veil of point lace, and carried an old-fashioned bouquet. Her only attendant was her sister, Miss Ellen Means. She wore a gown of the 1830 period and carried pink roses.

The best man was John Lancaster of Litchfield, Conn., and the ushers were George Roberts, Robert Howard, Victor McCutcheon and Austin H. Fox of New York City.

THREE HURT IN CRASH.

When Autos, Going at High Speed, Col-
lided on Curve.

Woodsville, N. H., Sept. 10.—Two touring cars, one driven by A. H. Merrill of Lisbon, N. H., and the other by J. Chamberlin of East Ryegate, Vt., came into collision at 10:30 yesterday morning while going at a high speed on a curve about a mile north of here near Butsons crossing.

Both machines were badly smashed up but the only occupant of the Merrill car that sustained injuries beyond bruises was Miss Lottie Aldrich of Lisbon, who was cut on the head and face by being thrown against the windshield.

Mr. Chamberlin received a fracture of the forearm, cuts on the forehead and several bruises. V. A. Aldrich of East Ryegate received a bad cut over one eye and many bruises.

The three injured parties were taken to the Cottage hospital, where they will remain for several days.

NEWPORT MAN KILLED.

G. B. Lockhart Included in Canadian
Casualty List.

Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 10.—The Canadian casualty list issued last night contained the name of G. B. Lockhart of Newport, Vt., who is presumed to have died.

ST. JOHNSBURY MAN
KILLED UNDER AUTO

Elmer Fuller Went Down Bank with Ma-
chine—Another Accident Happened
at Same Place Short Time
Before.

St. Johnsbury, Sept. 10.—Elmer Fuller of St. Johnsbury was killed and four other persons were shaken up and bruised when the automobile in which they were riding slipped from the road over a 20-foot embankment on the Barton Works hill, and crashed into the trees and underbrush below. Mr. Fuller's chest was crushed and he suffered other injuries, dying instantly.

The car, which William McDonald, also of St. Johnsbury, was driving, was proceeding slowly down the so-called Barton Works hill, with Mrs. May McDonald, mother of the driver of the machine, Miss Jennie McDonald, his sister, and Mrs. Fuller, wife of the dead man, as passengers, when the automobile slid to the left hand side of the road on the wet pavement, crashed through the fence and plunged down the embankment. Mr. Fuller was crushed under the edge of the machine, which overturned, while the other occupants of the car were saved by the top, which held the great weight of the vehicle from their bodies. Mr. Fuller was dead when removed from under the machine.

About half an hour before the accident which caused Mr. Fuller's death an automobile driven by J. B. Vignault of Lyndonville, who, with his wife and four other persons, were passengers in the machine, skidded on the wet pavements but a short distance from the scene of the other accident and crashed into a tree. Mrs. Vignault was lacerated about the face and badly bruised, but not seriously injured. The other occupants of the car escaped with minor hurts and the machine was but slightly damaged.

FATALLY INJURED BY AUTO.

Frank Wozniak of West Rutland Was
Internally Injured.

Rutland, Sept. 10.—Frank Wozniak of West Rutland, an employee of the Vermont Marble company at the Center Rutland plant, was run down by a Ford automobile driven by Louis Myers of West Rutland Saturday night, dying five hours later at the Rutland hospital from internal injuries. The authorities of the town of Rutland are investigating the matter and it is expected that when State's Attorney C. V. Poulin returns Myers will be arrested on a warrant alleging criminal negligence. It is said that he was operating the machine at an excess rate of speed, but this is denied by the driver.

The accident happened at the east end of the covered bridge and directly opposite the blacksmith shop at this point. Wozniak, in company with other workmen, was walking from the marble shops on the side of the road towards the waiting station of the Clarendon and Pittsford railroad. According to two eye witnesses he was well toward the side of the road, one claiming he was entirely off the road walking along the grass plot.

Mr. Myers in his Ford machine, accompanied by Napoleon Merchant of West Rutland, was driving east and just at this point the big truck owned by Richard Mead was going down the hill in a westerly direction. Myers turned out to pass the truck and struck Wozniak, knocking him to the ground and running over the man's abdomen with both sets of wheels. The Myers car went some distance before it was brought to a stop.

Dr. J. M. Hamilton and the Stearns ambulance were summoned and the man was rushed to the Rutland hospital. An examination did not disclose a single external injury, but the man's internal organs were so badly crushed that he died at 10:30 o'clock. The accident happened at 5:05 o'clock.

AUTOMOBILE OVERTURNED.

And Charles E. B. Folsom of Hamilton,
Mass., Was Killed.

Portsmouth, N. H., Sept. 10.—Charles E. B. Folsom of Hamilton, Mass., a member of the class of '18, Harvard college, was instantly killed and his classmate, Charles Heffenger, son of Dr. and Mrs. A. C. Heffenger, of this city, badly bruised, when the car in which they were riding turned over on Sagamore road Sunday morning.

The young men had passed the night at Rye beach and were returning to this city shortly after 9, when they met a car driven by Francis L. Merkle of 94 St. Lawrence street, Portland, Me., containing besides the driver Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Perry of Portland and Miss Harlow Haskell of South Portland, who were on their way to Boxford, Mass., from that city.

The two cars met at a curve about 100 yards from the Wentworth house road, and although Mr. Merkle crowded his car over as far as the track of the Portsmouth street railroad, the two cars hooked and the car containing Folsom and Heffenger turned over twice and then landed on its wheels.

Folsom was caught when the car overturned and his skull was crushed. Death resulted instantly. Heffenger was thrown clear of the car and escaped with only slight bruises. The only occupant of the other car injured was Mrs. Perry, who was thrown out and considerably shaken.

The car driven by Folsom was a high-powered one and according to those who witnessed the accident, was traveling at high speed.

Folsom was born in Pittsfield, N. H., Aug. 28, 1896, and was a grandson of Ex-Gov. Hiram Tuttle of New Hampshire, and when not at Harvard made his home with his brother, Hiram T. Folsom of Hamilton.

BIG BARN DESTROYED.

Cause Is Thought to Have Been Defective
Wiring.

Lancaster, N. H., Sept. 10.—The large barn owned by the Fred Holton estate was destroyed by fire last evening, causing a loss between \$10,000 and \$12,000, which is partially covered by insurance. The fire was caused by defective wiring. All the livestock was saved with the exception of one calf.

A house near by which was threatened several times, but not damaged, is said to be the oldest house in Lancaster.

A son of the late Fred Holton made a record run in his automobile from Whitefield.

DISCHARGED
GUN WITH FOOT

Thomas F. Smith of Brat-
tleboro Was Found
Dead To-day

LAY IN WHEELBARROW
AT THE CEMETERY

Double-Barreled Gun Found
Near the Body in
Barn

Brattleboro, Sept. 10.—The body of Thomas F. Smith, aged 33, a Central Vermont yard employee, was found in a wheelbarrow in the barn at Morningdale cemetery this morning by the sexton, John Blake. Near him lay a double-barreled shotgun with an empty shell in one barrel.

State's Attorney William R. Dole thinks it was a case of suicide and that Smith probably discharged the gun with his foot. Smith was a drinking man, did not own a gun and where he obtained the weapon is a mystery. Smith was the son of Harry Smith and was not married.

BULLET IN SPINE;
MAN WILL LIVE

Roy S. Blake, Private at Fort Ethan
Allen, Was Injured in Manner
Called Mysterious.

Burlington, Sept. 10.—Roy S. Blake, private in the Headquarters company of the 2d cavalry at Fort Ethan Allen, is lying in the post hospital with a bullet from a 45-calibre revolver lodged near his spinal column.

Private Blake's injury was sustained in a peculiar manner. Early last week he was lying in his bunk, resting on his left side. His "bunkie" was handling his 45-calibre revolver, standing at the foot of Blake's bunk. Suddenly in some inexplicable way, the revolver was discharged.

The bullet entered the outer side of Blake's right leg in the fleshy part just above the knee, and tore up through the leg and hip, lodging near the spine.

The man was at once removed to the post hospital, and X-ray photographs were later taken to locate the bullet. The plates revealed the bullet as lodged in the muscles close to the spinal column, so imbedded in the muscles, it is said, as not to cause any trouble, and it is probable that no operation will be performed to remove it.

WILSON COMES ASHORE
TO GO A-GOLFING

Was Met at Gloucester by Col. House,
Who Refused to Say Where Presi-
dent Was to Play.

Gloucester, Mass., Sept. 10.—The president's yacht Mayflower with its convoy was still in the harbor this morning but prepared to weigh anchor later in the day and continue the cruise upon which President and Mrs. Wilson embarked at New York Saturday.

President and Mrs. Wilson came ashore shortly before noon and were met at the pier by Colonel and Mrs. E. M. House. The president was accompanied by his naval and military aids and by attendants, who carried gold sticks. Colonel House declined to say where the president would go as he was anxious to avoid the crowds.

WOMAN ORDERED TO JAIL.

Mrs. Amelia Wood Arraigned for Open
and Gross Lewdness.

One of the apartments on the second floor of the Bolster building between the tracks in Depot square was the scene of police activities Saturday evening, when officers armed with a warrant issued at the request of State's Attorney Earle R. Davis conducted a search for liquor, etc. They arrested Mrs. Amelia Wood on a charge of open and gross lewdness and took into custody John Brown, a baseball player, in connection with the seizure of a bottle of beer and a small quantity of whiskey. Mrs. Wood and the ball tosser passed the week-end at police headquarters. Returns on the raid were made by Deputy Chief Harry Gamble and Officers John W. Dineen and Henderson, whose visit in the Depot square apartment is said to have been wholly unexpected.

This forenoon Mrs. Wood and her young son appeared before Magistrate H. W. Scott in city court. The woman acknowledged the offense charged against her and was remanded to the custody of the police after the court had sentenced her to serve three years in the house of correction, with a maximum sentence of seven months. Arrangements for taking care of the boy are to be made by the authorities, and his mother has been removed to the county jail, preparatory to her transfer to the house of correction.

The case against Brown was continued to Sept. 17. No charge was preferred against him, and he was not asked to make a plea in connection with search and seizure. Bail in the sum of \$30 was furnished by his employers, and he was released.

OPEN OCTOBER 1.

City School Plans Announced by Supt.
White.

Supt. C. H. White of the city school announced, after a conference with other officials to-day, that all the school will open for the fall term on Monday, October 1.

SELECTED FOR ARMY.

Al Henry Enns of Cabot Chosen By
Washington County Board.

The Washington county exemption board has certified Al Henry Enns of Cabot to the district board as an accepted man for the national army.

The board certified the following men to-day: Francisco Fransi, Barre, Alchide Paccetti, Barre, and Joseph E. Bosley, Westerville.

PERHAPS HE DIED
OF HEART TROUBLE

Arthur Howland, Employee of City Street
Department, Was Found on Floor
of His Apartment.

Arthur Howland, an aged employee of the street department, and with his brother, Curtis, long a familiar figure in the "white-wings" corps of street workers, died suddenly in a room at 189 North Main street, in the rear of the Currier block, early this morning. It is believed that the man was seized with heart failure as he prepared to build a fire in the kitchen stove, but an autopsy performed by Dr. J. W. Stewart, the local health officer, is expected to determine the exact cause of death. The body was removed to the undertaking establishment of Perry & Noonan in Depot square, where the post-mortem examination was started late this forenoon.

The brothers, Howland, and the deceased's son, Bert Howland, who is partially crippled by paralysis, were wont to sit up late in the evening. Apparently Arthur Howland was enjoying good health when the three retired near midnight. As was his custom, the elder of the brothers arose at an early hour this morning to kindle the kitchen fire. Curtis Howland and his nephew were asleep in an adjoining room and were awakened by a thud on the floor. Hurrying into the kitchen the former saw his brother lying on the floor in front of the stove. After failing to arouse the man, he went downstairs and notified Edward Burke. Dr. J. W. Stewart was called and after examining the body he gave it as his opinion that death had ensued immediately after the man fell to the floor. Around 4 o'clock, or a half-hour after the man died, the body was removed to the undertaking establishment.

The deceased was 73 years old and had always lived in this section of Vermont. As a young man he enlisted in the Civil war and served honorably with a Vermont regiment. For many years he and his brother lived in Montpelier, removing to Barre some four years ago. The only near relatives surviving are Curtis Howland and the son, Bert.

Arrangements for the funeral have not been completed, but it is expected that services will be held to-morrow afternoon, with interment in Maplewood cemetery.

MAN LAY BESIDE
ROAD IN SO. BARRE

Alexander St. Cyr May Have Been Struck
By Automobile, as He Is Badly
Bruised.

Mystery in some small measure surrounds the case of Alexander St. Cyr, a carpenter and wheelwright, who is at the City hospital receiving treatment for multiple contusions about the face and body. St. Cyr was found unconscious in a ditch along the Williamstown road south of the Smith stock farm Sunday evening and very little that preceded his removal to the hospital recurs to him. Lester Burnham, an automobile salesman from Lawrence, Mass., was hurrying through the valley while on his way from New Hampshire to St. Albans when he saw the figure of a man lying by the roadside. He investigated, sought assistance from people living in South Barre, and made arrangements for transferring the man to a hospital, after which he came to Barre and notified the police.

An unknown automobile is believed to have been responsible for St. Cyr's injuries. Cuts about the face and body indicate that he was struck by an automobile while walking along the highway, although the patient himself can offer little evidence to substantiate this theory. It is said that he had been employed by a man named Cutler in Williamstown, and was on his way home. The officers believe that the motorist struck the traveler with his car and did not stop to assist him.

St. Cyr's memory had not improved to-day, although physically he was on the road to recovery and attaches at the hospital did not expect him to remain there after to-night. How long he remained by the roadside before Mr. Burnham picked him up has not been ascertained. The automobile accident occurred near himself that St. Cyr would be cared for, called on Officer David Henderson at police headquarters, told him the circumstances, and left an address where he might be reached if his services are needed in an investigation.

HOLD AN INQUIRY
ON BARRE FATALITY

Public Service Commission Investigates
Death of James B. Edward on
Railroad Crossing.

An official inquiry into the circumstances leading up to the death of James B. Edward, a Barre granite manufacturer, who was killed on a Central Vermont railroad crossing west of Depot square Aug. 31, was started in the council chamber at city hall this morning with W. A. Dutton of Hardwick, representing the public service commission, presiding. State's Attorney Earle R. Davis appeared for the state and S. Hollister Jackson acted as counsel for the estate. Charles F. Black of St. Albans was the appearance for the railroad company. Mr. Dutton was accompanied by the commission clerk, Neil D. Clawson of Brattleboro.

Witnesses examined this forenoon included members of the crew in charge of the train near the crossing when the fatality occurred. The crew included Engineer William Chayer, Conductor Frank Cassava and brakemen P. Shepard and Frank Hutton. Their story as to the circumstances of the accident occurred in the main points and the evidence, as appeared in their testimony, tended to show that the crossing was blocked by a flat car, against which a coal car was pushed by the yard shifter. Frank Woodcock, of Woodcock Bros., granite manufacturers who occupy a section of the shed jointly occupied by Oliver Bros., Woodcock Bros., and Edward Bros., said he was standing in the yard and saw Edward in the instant after he was struck by the car. It appeared that the deceased was on his way to the shed and started deep the track along a coal shed when he found the crossing occupied by the car.

Taking of testimony continued during the noon hour and was continued this afternoon.

SOLDIERS GET
FOND FAREWELL

Gov. Graham Addressed the
Men in Montpelier
City Hall

LARGE CROWD WENT
TO CAPITAL STATION

First Delegation of Ash-
ington County Men for
National Army Goes

The men who responded to the first call from Washington county under the selective draft, left Montpelier Sunday afternoon amid the cheering of over 2,000 persons, who gathered from all parts of the county, more especially from Montpelier and Barre. The program of the day which was in charge of Mayor F. W. Mitchell, the chairman of the local public safety committee, included speaking by himself and Gov. H. F. Graham at the city hall at 9:30 in the morning. Then the young men were taken in automobiles for a ride about the city and at 11 o'clock set down to a dinner at Miller's inn in company with George N. Tilden, Le C. Moody and Dr. J. E. Woodruff of the local exemption board and some from Montpelier, after which they were escorted by the Montpelier Military band, police, Red Men, Eagles, Brooks post, Grand Army of the Republic, and other civic organizations to the Central Vermont depot, where over 2,000 persons had gathered to give them a farewell. This was done with the band playing national airs.

Probably 300 went to Montpelier Junction to see the young men depart. This number included the local exemption board, which carried with it the packages that the Red Cross societies of Barre and Montpelier had arranged for the young men. The board carried with it a package of 10 boxes each of which enclosed an individual lunch that were placed in the hands of Captain Francis J. D. Paul with instruction that when hunger seemed to demand attention they were to recall that these had been presented by the Women's Relief corps of Brooks post. The local board also presented them with a box of cigars for their enjoyment while taking the ride to Ayer, Mass., where they join other Vermonters, who like themselves, have been called in the draft. Robert B. Knox, who has been for years a draftsman at Ames Bros., was assigned the duty of assisting Mr. Paul in the management of the party.

W. A. Pattie, who formerly was captain of Co. H, had general supervision of the affair, while G. H. Almon looked after the automobiles. A large number of those at the station to bid the boys good bye were from Barre, city and town. Many of these brought with them remembrances which were given the boys as they left the city.